

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) Water-free concentrate, consisting of ~~ubichinon~~ ubiquinone Q₁₀, a medium-chained triglyceride or triglyceride mixture, α-lipoic acid and/or dihydrolipoic acid and/or dihydrolipoamide its derivatives, as well as one or more emulsifiers as non-ionic polysorbates,

with the concentrate comprising a first solubilizate which is obtained from ubiquinone Q₁₀, polysorbate and triglyceride, and a second solubilizate which is obtained from α-lipoic acid and or dihydrolipoic acid and/or dihydrolipoamide and polysorbate,

whereby in the concentrate the ratio by weight of the polysorbate to the sum of the proportions by weight of the remaining ingredients amounts to about 4:1 to about 5.5:1 emulgators with HLB value between 9 and 19 permitted according to the food or drug laws.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently amended) The concentrate ~~Concentrate~~ according to claim 1 ~~2~~, in which the emulsifier ~~emulgator~~ consists of a polysorbate 20 and/or polysorbate 80.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) The concentrate Concentrate according to claim 1, in which the medium-chained triglyceride is ~~a light oil such as safflower oil or a mixture of caprylic acid and capric acid.~~

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently amended) The concentrate Concentrate according to claim 1, in which the ratio by weight of ubiquinone Q₁₀ ~~ubichinon~~ to α-lipoic acid lies between about 1:1 and about 1:4.

8. (Currently amended) The concentrate Concentrate according to claim 1, which consists of about 82.95 ~~85~~ w/w % of the polysorbates, about 3.2 ~~3.3~~ w/w % of ubiquinone Q₁₀, about 3.60 4 w/w % of α-lipoic acid and about 10.25 ~~10~~ w/w % of triglycerides.

9. (Currently amended) The concentrate Concentrate according to claim 1, which consists of about 5 w/w % of ubiquinone Q₁₀, about 10 w/w % of α-lipoic acid, about 4 w/w % of triglycerides and about 81 w/w % of polysorbate 80.

10. (Currently amended) The concentrate Concentrate according to claim 1, which consists of about 4 w/w % of ubiquinone Q₁₀, about 8 w/w % of α-lipoic acid, about 6 w/w % of triglycerides and about 82 w/w % of polysorbate 80.

11. (Currently amended) The concentrate according to claim 1, which consists of about 5 w/w % of ubiquinone Q₁₀, about 9 w/w % α-lipoic acid, about 5 w/w % of triglycerides and about 81 w/w % of polysorbate 80.

12. (Currently amended) The concentrate according to claim 1, which consists of about 2 w/w % of ubiquinone Q₁₀, about 8 w/w % of α-lipoic acid, about 6 w/w % triglycerides and about 84 w/w % polysorbate 80.

13. (Withdrawn) Method for production of a concentrate according to claim 1, in which at first a solubilizate is obtained from Q₁₀, polysorbate 80 and a triglyceride, thereafter a solubilizate is obtained from α-lipoic acid and polysorbate 80 or polysorbate 20, and subsequently Q₁₀ solubilizate is mixed with α-lipoic acid solubilizate and stirred to yield a homogeneous mass.

14. (Withdrawn) Method according to 13, in which an α-lipoic acid solubilizate is obtained at a temperature, for instance 100° C., which is higher compared to that temperature, for instance 85°C., at which Q₁₀ is solubilized, and both the solubilizates are mixed at a lower temperature of, for instance, 60°C.

15. (Withdrawn) Method according to claim 13, in which about 2, more practically about 1.8 parts of Q₁₀ solubilizate are mixed with about 1 part of α-lipoic acid solubilizate.

16. (Currently amended) ~~C~~oncentrate according to claim 1, which is added to a A non-alcoholic drink comprising a concentrate according to claim 1 in the ratio of one part of the concentrate to about 0.1 to up to about 5,000 parts of the drink.

17. (Currently amended) ~~C~~oncentrate according to claim 1, which is added to a A milk product, vegetable oil or a similar foodstuff comprising a concentrate according to claim 1 in the ratio of one part of the concentrate to about 0.1 to up to about 500 parts of the foodstuff.